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RESPONSE

**Assistant Commissioner for Patents** Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

The following amendments and remarks are in response to the Office Action dated January 2, 2002 in U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/678,554. Claims 1-25 are pending in this application, Claims 15-18 and 20-23 are withdrawn from consideration and Claims 1-14, 19, 24 and 25 are rejected.

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## **AMENDMENTS**

## In the Abstract of the Disclosure

Please amend the Abstract of the Disclosure as noted in the marked-up copy below, such that the amended version appears as follows:

## ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

The present invention provides compounds having the structure represented by Formula

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